

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A system enabling individual organizations of a plurality of different organizations to manage access of their own respective employees to at least one remotely located application hosted by an application service provider, comprising: at an application service provider site,

at least one database containing data representing,

a plurality of user interface images associated with a corresponding plurality of organizations, and

a plurality of executable procedures associated with the corresponding plurality of user interface images, an executable procedure supporting a user of a particular organization of said plurality of organizations in managing access of employees of the particular organization to an application hosted by an application service provider and used by said plurality of organizations; and

a command processor employing the at least one database for initiating execution of a particular executable procedure in response to a command initiated at a remote location associated with the particular organization using a particular user interface image associated with the particular executable procedure and with the particular organization, the particular executable procedure supporting the user in managing and granting access of an employee of the particular organization to an application and associated application data specific to said particular organization without intervention by the application service provider and excluding access to said application data specific to said particular organization by employees of organizations other than said particular organization.

2. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 1, wherein

said at least one database, said command processor, said application and associated application data specific to said particular organization are located at said application service provider site behind a firewall and accessed through said firewall by users of said plurality of organizations and including

an authorization processor for authorizing access of the user to the particular user interface image and the associated particular executable procedure in response to received identification information of the user.

3. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 2, wherein

said particular executable procedure and said particular user interface image are specifically associated with said particular organization and

the authorization processor excludes access of the user and employees of the particular organization to user interface images and executable procedures and data associated with organizations other than the particular organization.

4. (Original) A system according to claim 3, wherein

the authorization processor excludes access to the user and employees of the particular organization to data associated with organizations other than the particular organization by removing permission of the user and employees of the particular organization to access the data associated with the other organizations from a directory of permissions used to control data access.

5. (Original) A system according to claim 4, wherein

the directory of permissions comprises a Microsoft compatible Active Control List (ACL).

6. (Original) A system according to claim 4, wherein

the authorization processor removes the permission of the user and employees of the particular organization in response to addition of the particular organization as a new organization to the plurality of organizations.

7. (Original) A system according to claim 1, wherein

the plurality of executable procedures comprises a plurality of sets of executable procedures associated with the corresponding plurality of user interface images and

the command processor employs the at least one database for initiating execution of a particular executable procedure in a particular set of executable procedures in response to a command initiated using the particular user interface image.

8. (Original) A system according to claim 1, wherein

an executable procedure enables the user to at least one of, (a) add an employee and (b) remove an employee, of an organization as a user entitled to access the application hosted by the application service provider.

9. (Original) A system according to claim 8, wherein

the executable procedure changes authorization information associated with the added or removed employee.

10. (Original) A system according to claim 1, wherein
an executable procedure enables the user to amend information used in authorizing a particular employee of an organization to access the application hosted by the application service provider.

11. (Original) A system according to claim 1, including
an authorization processor for authorizing access of the employee of the particular organization to the particular user interface image and the associated particular executable procedure in response to received employee identification information.

12. (Original) A system according to claim 11, wherein
the authorization processor uses a combination of an organization specific identifier and received employee identification information in providing an employee access to the application hosted by the application service provider to prevent replication of user identification information between two employees of different organizations of the plurality of organizations.

13. (Original) A system according to claim 1, wherein
an executable procedure comprises processor executable instruction in a computer language including at least one of, (a) assembly language, (b) machine code, (c) a compiled computer language, (d) an interpreted computer language, (e) a compilable computer language, (f) a script language and (g) hardware encoded logic.

14. (Original) A system according to claim 1, wherein
the particular executable procedure comprises a template procedure customized by at least one of, (a) the user and (b) a technician.

15. (Original) A system according to claim 1, wherein
at least one of, (a) the command is initiated at a user site via a particular user interface image communicated to the user site and (b) the particular executable procedure is communicated to a user site and executed at the user site.

16. (Currently Amended) A system enabling an individual organization of a plurality of different organizations to manage access of their own respective employees to at least one remotely located application hosted by an application service provider, comprising:

at an application service provider site,

a communication processor for accessing at least one database containing data representing,

a plurality of user interface images associated with a corresponding plurality of organizations, and

a plurality of executable procedures associated with the corresponding plurality of user interface images, an executable procedure supporting a user of a particular organization of said plurality of organizations in managing access of employees of the particular organization to an application hosted by an application service provider and used by said plurality of organizations;

at least one repository including data representing an application and associated application data specific to said particular organization; and

a command processor for using the communication processor in initiating execution of a particular organization specific executable procedure in response to a command initiated at a remote user site associated with the particular organization using a particular organization specific user interface image communicated to the user site, the particular user interface image being associated with the particular executable procedure and with the particular organization, the particular executable procedure supporting the user in managing and granting access of an employee of the particular organization to said application and said associated application data specific to said particular organization following login to said application and without intervention by the application service provider and excluding access to said application data specific to said particular organization by employees of organizations other than said particular organization.

17. (Currently Amended) A system enabling individual organizations of a plurality of different organizations to manage access of their own respective employees to at least one remotely located application hosted by an application service provider, comprising:
at an application service provider site,

at least one database containing data representing,

- a images associated with a corresponding plurality of organizations, and
- a plurality of executable procedures associated with the corresponding plurality of user interface images, an executable procedure supporting a user of a particular organization of said plurality of organizations in managing access of employees of the particular organization to an application hosted by an application service provider and used by said plurality of organizations;
- at least one repository including data representing an application and associated application data specific to said particular organization;
- an authorization processor for authorizing access of the user to a particular user interface image and an associated particular executable procedure associated with the particular organization in response to received identification information of the user and excluding access of the user and employees of the particular organization to user interface images and executable procedures and data associated with the organizations other than the particular organization; and
- a command processor employing the at least one database for initiating execution of a particular executable procedure in response to a command initiated at a remote location associated with the particular organization using a particular user interface image associated with the particular executable procedure and with the particular organization, the particular executable procedure supporting the user in managing and granting access of an employee of the particular organization to an application and associated application data specific to said particular organization without intervention by the application service provider and excluding access to said application data specific to said particular organization by employees of organizations other than said particular organization.

18. (Original) A system according to claim 17, wherein
the authorization processor authorizes access of the user in response to a command initiated using the particular user interface image.

19. (Currently Amended) A user interface system enabling individual organizations of a plurality of different organizations to manage access of their own respective employees to at least one remotely located application hosted by an application service provider, comprising:
an application service provider site and accessed via a firewall,
at least one database containing data representing,

a plurality of sets of user interface images associated with a corresponding plurality of organizations, and

a plurality of executable procedures associated with the corresponding plurality of sets of user interface images, an executable procedure supporting a user of a particular organization of said plurality of organizations in managing access of employees of the particular organization to an application hosted by an application service provider and used by said plurality of organizations; and

a command processor employing the at least one database for initiating execution of a particular executable procedure in response to a command initiated at a remote location associated with the particular organization using a user interface image selected from a set of images associated with a particular organization, the particular executable procedure supporting the user in managing and granting access of an employee of the particular organization to an application and associated application data specific to said particular organization without intervention by the application service provider and excluding access to said application data specific to said particular organization by employees of organizations other than said particular organization.